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To All DPA Statewide Staff  
from the Food Stamp Policy Unit  
and Systems Operations

### **ABAWD SEASONAL EXEMPTION ALERT**

We have created a new ABAWD alert to help you process cases.

The new ABAWD alert job will set an alert on cases that contain household members who are eligible for a seasonal exemption based on where they live.

<u>CENSUS AREA</u>	<u>EXEMPTION PERIOD</u>
• Fairbanks North Star	October-April
• Ketchikan	October-April
• Kodiak Island	October-April
• Matanuska/Susitna	October-April
• Valdez/Cordova	October-April

The alert reads **CHECK ABAWD SEASONAL EXEMPTION**, and will appear on a case after the job runs the first weeks of April and September. The alert job runs the same time we run the ABAWD job that looks for three or more countable months.

The alert in April tells the caseworker the ABAWD is no longer exempt from ABAWD requirements beginning May. The caseworker must go through the FSAD to update the ABWD screen, which will stop the seasonal exemption.

The alert in September tells the caseworker the ABAWD is exempt from ABAWD requirements beginning October. The caseworker must go through the FSAD to update the ABWD screen, which will start the seasonal exemption.

For any system-related questions, please contact the DPA EIS Help Desk at [EISHelp@health.state.ak.us](mailto:EISHelp@health.state.ak.us). For food stamp policy

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